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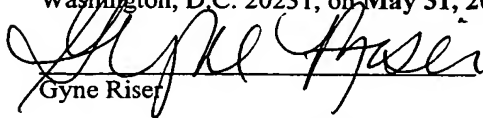
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For: ANTIGENIC MENINGOCOCCAL PEPTIDES

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Title of Invention: ANTIGENIC MENINGOCOCCAL PEPTIDES

Date of Execution: 04/18 & 04/23/02 International Filing Date: July 13, 2000

International Appl. No.: PCT/IB00/01026 (USSN 10/031,289)

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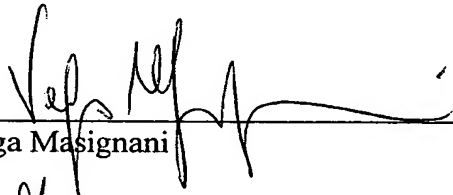
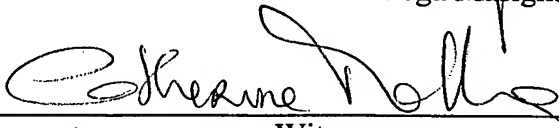
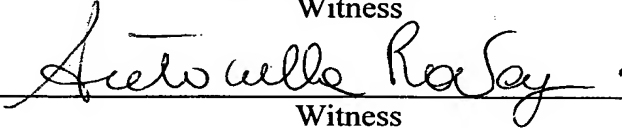
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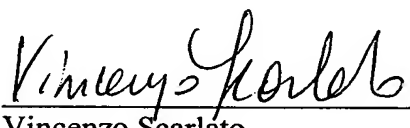

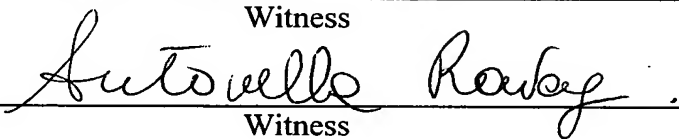
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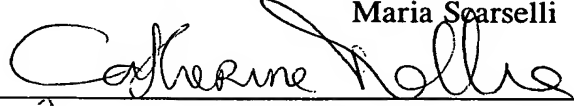
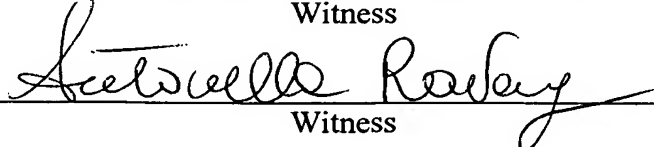
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